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Organizations Join Forces to Offer Business Development Training for Hispanic Entrepreneurs

Melville, NY— The “**Hispanic Small Business Development Conference,**” is a kick-off event to a **free** series of evening seminars sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration, the Nassau County Office of Minority Affairs, La Fuerza Unida Community Development Corporation and Circulo de la Hispanidad, Inc. to help small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs take advantage of local business development resources.

The kick-off conference will take place on **May 2, 2007** at the Elmont Library, 700 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont, NY, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m., and will feature Napoleon Barragan, founder of 1-800-Mattress. Five additional workshops, also designed to accommodate the time constraints of small business owners and daytime workers, will begin on May 9 and continue every Wednesday evening through June 6 at different Nassau County Hispanic-assistance organization locations.

Conducted in both Spanish and English, the series will cover the subjects of: Business Planning; Business Finance; Marketing; and Government Procurement. The workshops will be led by seasoned small business professionals and assistance providers.

“This is a tremendous opportunity to take advantage of a lot of free business training,” said Norman Hunte, branch manager of the SBA’s Melville Office. “Business owners and people considering going into business should reserve their place early,” added Hunte.

Seating is limited. For more information and to register contact either: Joe Farber at 631-454-0750 ext. 210 or joseph.farber@sba.gov; or Moira Mendoza at 516-292-2433 or mmendoza@cdlh.org.

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